

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 830

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Miss Leah Alexandra Wallace upon being crowned the 2008 Miss National Preteen

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens, who through their extraordinary efforts, are a credit to their respective families, communities, and to this State; and

WHEREAS, one such superlative person is Miss Leah Alexandra (Alex) Wallace, who was crowned 2008 Miss National Preteen of the American National Teenager Scholarship Organization; and

WHEREAS, at the national pageant held in Nashville, Miss Wallace competed against contestants from each state across the country in the categories of academics, community service and awards, personal interviews, formal wear, personal expression, and on-stage interview; she aspires to be crowned Miss America or Miss USA in the future; and

WHEREAS, Alex Wallace is the eleven-year-old daughter of Renee Wallace and the late Jeff Wallace and is a resident of Franklin; and

WHEREAS, Miss Wallace is a straight-A, sixth grade student at Page Middle School, where she has demonstrated her leadership abilities by serving as an elected member of the student council and a nominated member of Students Taking a Right Stand (STARS); and

WHEREAS, Alex has shown tremendous athletic ability as a cheerleader and volleyball player at her school; and

WHEREAS, Alex Wallace is a well-rounded individual who enjoys singing, dancing, and travel volleyball; and

WHEREAS, she displays her deep Christian faith as an active and devout member of Clearview Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, aside from the hectic schedule that she maintains as Miss Preteen National Teenager, Miss Wallace still finds time to lend her amazing talents to such notable causes as March of Dimes, United Cerebral Palsy, Special Olympics, and Feed Franklin First; and

WHEREAS, a civic-minded young lady whose benevolent nature knows no bounds, Alex Wallace has been the Middle Tennessee Youth Spokesperson for the March of Dimes for the past two years and has also visited the state capitol for Lobby Day with the March of Dimes; additionally, she has led a team of walkers in WalkAmerica for the last two years, becoming the 2006 number one walker in Nashville for funds raised; and

WHEREAS, Miss Alex Wallace epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Miss Alex Wallace for her dedication to the state of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Miss Alexandra Wallace upon being crowned Miss Preteen National Teenager and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.